## ABSTRACT

The object of the present invention is to provide a job transfer scheme between computers in which even when a job identifier of a job in a server 5 computer is not returned to a client computer due to a network failure or the like, the client computer can recognize a status of the job.

In addition to a job identifier generated by the server computer, a job identifier generated by the client computer is added upon registration of the job. When the job identifier to be returned from the server computer is unknown, the job identifier in the server computer is obtained using the job identifier in the client computer.